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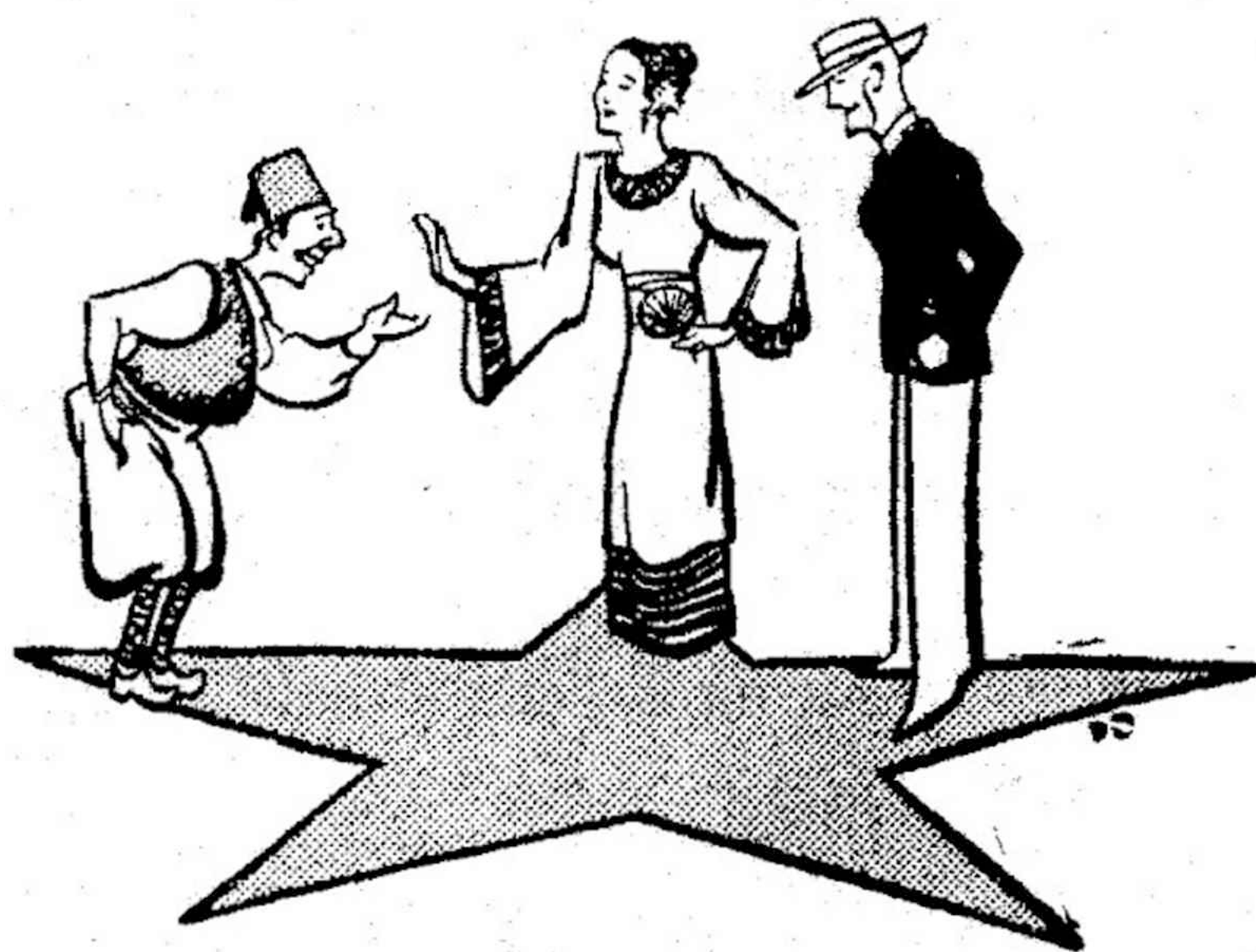
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The British Esperanto Association (Incorporated) ANNUAL REPORT FOR 1944

To be presented to the Members at the Annual General Meeting
at the Grand Hotel, Birmingham, on Saturday, 5th May, 1945.

The past year has shown further progress in the membership and general activities of the Association, and has been a fresh indication that very optimistic hopes for post-war development may justifiably be entertained. From the Revenue Account it will be seen that Subscription income was £830, against £646 in 1943: a large part of the increase was due to the additional 1s. per head paid by members as from 1st January, 1944, but there was also a considerable influx of new members during the year and the total on the Register at the end of December was 2,929, compared with 2,647 at the close of 1943, and 2,113 in 1942. We are thus progressing steadily towards the membership of 5,000 mentioned in the Report for 1943 as a figure that should be envisaged for the not very distant future.

Trading Profit, at £602, was practically the same as in 1943; but the volume of business done was larger, the gross value of sales being £2,327 against £2,146. A higher proportion, however, was in the form of sales to booksellers, the percentage of profit on which is naturally less than that on direct sales to the public.

The total Revenue income from all sources was £1,741, compared with £1,583 in 1943.

On the expenditure side there was an increase of £189 in Salaries, due to the fact that additional staff engaged during the latter half of 1943 were employed throughout the whole of 1944, and to well-merited increases of pay awarded during the year. As the Council have previously pointed out, this item in the Accounts will not grow less, but will certainly increase as the Association's work expands, since it is impossible to cope with the mass of detail necessitated by our increasing membership, trading, and correspondence courses, without the help of a competent and willing staff.

Considerable financial and other advantages have once more accrued from the continuance of the wartime arrangement with the International Esperanto League, whereby the Association is housed at the League's headquarters. In this connection the Association has indeed been fortunate in having as their Acting Secretary during the past 4½ years the Secretary of the League, Mr. C. C. Goldsmith, to whose ability and devotion the movement owes so much. The Council take this opportunity of also expressing, in the name of the Association, their great appreciation of the work of the clerical staff at Heronsgate.

It may be pointed out that the work of the League has considerably increased since the earlier years of the war; and as the various European countries are liberated there will undoubtedly be further rapid development.

The cost of the Journal at £306 was £78 more than in 1943 and £147 more than in 1942. This was partly due to the larger number of copies printed and posted in view of the growing membership; but there was also a further increase in printing costs as such, owing to wartime conditions.

The Revenue deficit of £106 is somewhat above that of the previous year, but (as on that occasion) the Council have not felt it necessary to call up more than one-half of the Guarantee. They hope that 1945 will show a smaller deficit and that there will be no reversion to the high figures of pre-war years.

No charge against Revenue has been made in respect of Correspondence Course Advertising during 1944. The debit balance of the Advertising Account at the end of the year (see below) is considered a reasonable amount to be carried forward to 1945, during which the past year's advertising will continue to bring in results. The generous support given by our members to the Advertising Fund has enabled a comprehensive campaign to be carried out, and not only has this provided useful evidence of the "pulling power" of various media but more than the money spent is returning to the Association in the shape of increased subscriptions, book sales and general support. Moreover the income from the "Popular" Courses itself helps to provide the means for further advertising.

The figures for 1944 are as follows:

Debit Balance brought forward from 1943	£	50
Spent on "Popular" Course advertising during 1944		981
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		1,031
Received during 1944—	£	
Donations to Advertising Fund	660	
Profit on students' fees	216	
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Debit balance carried forward to 1945		<hr/>
		£155

The Council have decided to amalgamate Advertising charges with General Publicity henceforth, and future donations to the Advertising Fund will accordingly be credited to the combined account. The actual expenditure on "Popular" Course advertising will, however, be ascertainable at any time.

During the year there were 1,459 enrolments for the "Popular" Course, against 1,248 in 1943 and 1,152 in 1942. The total from the inception of the Course rose to 4,361. As before, these students continued to furnish a proportion of enthusiastic new members to the Association, and many of them are already doing valuable work in various ways.

The "Standard" and Intermediate Courses were again well supported, and together contributed a net profit of £116 to the year's Revenue. The number of "Standard" Courses, in fact, provided a new record—the total being 115, against 101 in 1943, which was itself much above pre-war figures.

In connection with all Correspondence Courses the unremitting voluntary work of the tutors must again be emphasized as of prime importance, as satisfied students are the most likely to join the Association and continue their interest in the language and the movement. Many of them write, either to their tutors or to headquarters, expressing their high appreciation of the help they receive. In his Report on the "Standard" Courses, the Honorary Organizing Secretary, the Rev. W. J. Downes, says that he has similarly received many letters from students commending the work of their tutors, and he adds his own testimony to the devotion of these valued colleagues, whose work "again calls for most grateful recognition".

The Council warmly endorse all such appreciation and would also remind the members that in the case of the "Standard" Courses Mr. Downes himself has continued to direct the work with unstinted zeal and great efficiency.

Mr. M. C. Butler, as Education Secretary, is to be congratulated on once more carrying out a series of successful tours, lecturing mainly in schools and colleges. In the course of this work 7,706 copies of *Esperanto for Beginners* were sold as well as other literature. Very useful organizing work was done by local Group and Federation officers in some districts—especially in Yorkshire—and this help is greatly appreciated by the Council. In this connection, however, the Council would point out to those desirous of securing Mr. Butler's services at public meetings or Club gatherings, that he should not be asked to take lengthy and often inconvenient journeys unless there is a reasonable prospect of securing an audience.

As in previous years the cost of the work was met by local payment of expenses, direct donations, hospitality, and sums drawn from the Motor Car and Propaganda Fund. The calls on the latter Fund, however, proved to be so moderate that at the end of the year there was a balance in hand of some £20. The Council decided to transfer this sum to the Motor Car Replacement Fund, which now appears in the Balance Sheet at £167 against £147 a year previously; and further, to abolish the Motor Car and Propaganda Fund (which had for a number of years been the mainstay of Mr. Butler's touring activities) as from the beginning of 1945, in view of the large and gratifying amount of local financial assistance which Mr. Butler now constantly receives. Such costs as may fall on central funds in this connection will henceforth be charged against Publicity, and members who would have given donations to the old Fund are therefore asked to contribute these amounts, in future, to the Advertising and Publicity Fund.

The fact that Mr. Butler's expenses are now so largely met by direct donations and other local support is itself a very satisfactory testimony to the high value and acceptability of his public work, and its established place in the movement. This is further borne out by the numerous appreciative letters received from Heads of schools and others concerned.

Of the 2,929 members of the Association at the end of the year, 1,257 were Individual Members of the International Esperanto League, and from the Revenue Account it will be seen that in 1944 the Association collected no less than £547 on account of subscriptions to the League, against £471 in 1943 and £368 in 1942. It is a source of satisfaction to the Council that during the war years the Association has, as an affiliated body, played a large part in maintaining the League and ensuring its readiness for the renewed activity which has already commenced.

REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1944

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
To Salaries				923	13	0
„ Rent of Library (net)	12	0	0			
„ Rent at Heronsgate	48	0	0			
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„ 140 Holland Pk. Ave., W.11 (Domo)—						
Rates and Taxes	129	19	4			
Interest on Bank Loan	18	11	6			
Insurance and Sundries	16	10	7			
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	165	1	5			
Less Rents received	57	6	6			
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„ Postage				83	12	6
„ Printing and Stationery				92	6	9
„ General Publicity				93	17	2
„ Office Expenses				103	3	3
„ Sundry Expenses				37	14	4
„ <i>The British Esperantist</i> , net cost				306	3	5
„ Depreciation				13	0	0
„ War Damage Insurance				15	18	0
„ Premises Fund				10	0	0
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	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
By Gross Profit on Trading				602	0	10
„ Membership Subscriptions	1378	0	9			
Less paid to I.E.L.	547	7	5			
	<hr/>			830	13	4
„ Affiliation Fees				22	11	0
„ Donations (General Funds)				86	14	5
„ Examinations (net)				16	0	4
„ “Standard” Correspondence Courses (net)				68	18	7
„ Intermediate Course (net)				47	8	0
„ Interest (net)				67	0	11
„ Deficit, carried to Capital Account				105	15	11
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The Annual Meeting of the Association took place at Birmingham, and, like that of 1943, was very well attended—the number present exceeding that of many pre-war meetings. Several *alilandaj amikoj* spoke at this meeting and at the enjoyable social gathering in the evening, organized by the local *samideanoj*.

Most Federations held their periodical Conferences during the year, and many local Groups were active. The Council congratulate the London Clubs on maintaining their regular meetings during the period of intensive air attacks on the metropolis in the summer and autumn. A number of Groups were able on many occasions to entertain military and civilian Esperantists from various allied nations, and to provide for such friends social amenities of a kind not readily available to the non-Esperantist—thus utilising and demonstrating, for hosts and guests alike, the great value of our language as a means of fraternal intercourse.

The Council desire, in conclusion, to record on behalf of the Association their grateful appreciation of the work of the President, Honorary Secretary, and Honorary Treasurer, throughout the year.

Looking forward to the coming year as one of great promise for the movement, the Council trust that it may see the inception of a new era of peace and progress, in which Esperanto will play its part as a powerful ally to all forces promoting the welfare of the human race.

The British Esperanto Association (Incorporated)

Registered Offices : 140, Holland Park Avenue, London, W.11.

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ANNUAL CIRCULAR

Notice is hereby given that the Forty-first Annual General Meeting of the British Esperanto Association (Incorporated) will be held on Saturday, 5th May, 1945, at The Grand Hotel, Colmore Row, Birmingham, at 8 p.m. prompt.

AGENDA

- (a) Receive the Annual Report of the Council.
- (b) Receive the Annual Statement of Accounts and Balance Sheet.
- (c) Receive the Report of the Secretary as Returning Officer on the Election of Officers and Ordinary Councillors.
- (d) Elect one or more Auditors for the ensuing year.
- (e) Consider as to place for holding the next Annual General Meeting.
- (f) Consider and, if necessary, take action with reference to any other business or motion of which due notice may have been given, or which the majority of those present and entitled to vote may determine to entertain, not being inconsistent with the Memorandum and Articles of Association.

Notice is hereby given that the first meeting of the new Council will be held immediately after the above meeting, at the same place, for the appointment of Sub-Committees and for other routine business.

CECIL C. GOLDSMITH,
Acting Secretary

The following is a list of the present Council :—

President :

Miss Margaret Jay, M.A.

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Miss V. C. Nixon, B.A., F.B.E.A.

Robert Robertson, F.B.E.A.

Hon. Secretary :

Bernard Long, B.A.

Hon. Treasurer :

Arthur C. Oliver, F.B.E.A.

Ordinary Councillors :

Due to retire in 1945 :

Miss J. Baird,

Miss M. L. Blake,

W. A. Gething, B.Sc.

Mrs. E. C. Oliver,

H. W. Holmes.

Due to retire in 1946 :

E. D. Durrant,
Mrs. E. M. Kendrick,
W. K. Nash,
G. L. Preedy, F.C.I.S.,
Miss P. M. Strapps,
Mrs. E. Warren

Due to retire in 1947 :

E. W. Amos,
Miss E. Ashby,
Miss R. A. Davey,
Rev. W. J. Downes, M.A., B.D.,
D. Kennedy, M.A.,
Miss A. A. Nicol.

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	R. Murray
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Lancs. & Cheshire	W. B. Currie
	J. R. Grocott
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and Mon.	L. Evans
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Executive Committee : The President, the Hon. Secretary, the Hon. Treasurer, Miss R. A. Davey, E. D. Durrant, H. J. Harris, Miss V. C. Nixon, R. Robertson, Mrs. E. Warren.

Correspondence Course Tutors : A panel of experienced teachers. Secretary : The Rev. W. J. Downes.

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Editor of the Journal : M. C. Butler.

Trustees of the Association :

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LIST OF NOMINATIONS**for the Election of Officers and Councillors, 1945***President :*

Miss Margaret Jay, M.A.

Vice-Presidents :

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Miss V. C. Nixon, B.A., F.B.E.A.

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Honorary Secretary :

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Honorary Treasurer :

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Councillors :

Miss J. Baird, Edinburgh.

Miss M. L. Blake, London.

L. I. Gentle, London.

W. A. Gething, B.Sc., Luton.

Mrs. E. C. Oliver, Rickmansworth.

A. G. Tucker, Canterbury.

As the number of nominations is the same as the number of places to be filled, no ballot is necessary.

Short Story Competition—We call attention to the advertisement on page ii of the cover. Here is a great opportunity for readers to show what new talent lies at present undiscovered in our ranks.

"Esperanto Internacia"—The current issue is of unusual interest. Apart from figures showing the progress of I.E.L. in spite of war conditions, we read long-awaited news of Esperantists in other lands, now beginning to trickle in; a most noteworthy article by Dr. B. Collinder of Upsala University; and a humorous story by Mason Stuttard.

The following back issues would be gratefully received by the office : *Esperanto Internacia* : 1941 Sept. and Dec. 1942 and 1943, all numbers. 1944, Jan. And the first parts of 1942 and 1943 Jarlibroj.

PROPHETIC WORDS

In the last issue of *The British Esperantist* occurred this phrase: "and when our new adepts ascertain that Esperanto is fully up to all claims made for it, they will undoubtedly become even more enthusiastic." Striking confirmation of this came in a letter we received from an early Popular Course student the day before the journal appeared, and from which the following extracts are taken.

"Mi jam konatiĝis kun kelkaj gesamideanoj. Neatendite mi trovis Esperantan soldaton inter nia grupanaro; tial ni kune vizitis la hejmojn de civilaj Esperantistoj, komencante en Norda Belgujo. Estas domaĝe, ke mi ne povas vin informi pri la aliaj renkontoj en Nederlando, pro sekurecaj kaŭzoj. Mi estis surprizita, vidante la vortojn 'Eniru, Bonvenon' super pordo de domo, tutan serion de Esperantaj libroj en la montrofenestro de librovendejo, instruejojn de lingvoj reklamantajn Esperanton, k.t.p. Sendube, nia lingvo estis ĉi tie populara, antaŭ la germana okupado. Ĝis nun estis malpermesite porti la verdan stelon, kaj la societoj estis nuligitaj. Sed la membroj restas . . . kaj esperas rekomenci la aferon. Jen fekunda tero!

"Do, mi pruvis al mi mem, ke nia lingvo estas tute efika en ĝia rolo. Ni povis babiladi kun miriga facileco kaj klareco, kun kompleta interkompreno. Jen grava fakto—ĜI FUNKCIAS!"

Can any more striking evidence be given of the success of our advertising efforts? It remains for us to continue the good work as extensively as we can, and our sincere thanks are given to the following donors who are helping us to do so.

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Miss A. Bird		1	0	J. B. West		2	0
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A. B. Morgan ..		2	6	C. E. Hayward ..		1	6
Mrs. W. F. E. Horner ..		11	0	E. B. Johnson ..		3	0
T. Pendlebury ..		10	0	T. Woolfenden ..		2	0
Mrs. M. T. Samuel ..		9	0	Miss M. Thorpe ..		5	0
"Duon-pencoj" ..		11	0				
R. Price ..		1	0				
Miss H. Steele ..		4	0				
Miss F. W. McAuslan ..	1	0	0				
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Here are the figures for January.

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Muzika Terminaro—This work (noticed in our last issue) has been reprinted as a booklet, with some slight textual improvements, and is now obtainable from B.E.A. at 9p. Music-lovers, and those wishing to write in Esperanto on musical matters, will find this little work very helpful.

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NASKIĜOJ

Acton—Je 16 Dec., 1944, al Anjo kaj L.A.C. J. Acton, 43 Deepdale Drive, Pendlebury, filino, Evelyn Rose.

Lee—Je 27 Jan., al Doris kaj Douglas Lee, "Hawthorn", Lunwell Rd., Wickford, Essex, filino, Jacqueline.

MORTOJ

Booth—Je 19 Marto, 79-jara, J. Booth, el Hove.

Briggs—Je 8 Januaro, Amy Louise Briggs, amata kaj agema pioniro, kiu neniam perdis sian fervoron por nia afero. Ŝi estis 30 jarojn membro de la Esp. Societo en Leeds, kaj aliĝis al B.E.A. en 1918. Ŝi tradukis plurajn dramojn de Shakespeare, el kiuj *Sonĝo de Someromeza Nokto* eldoniĝis en 1920. Aliaj restas en MS. Ŝi lerte instruis Esperanton en ŝia lernejo Northcote.

Briggs—Je 24 Dec., en Stourbridge, S-ro T. Gilby Briggs, bone konata pioniro de la movado en Cambridge.

Clinton—Je 4 Januaro, S-ro A. Clinton, South Shields. Dumviva Membro de B.E.A.

Rhodes—Je 12 Februaro, 65-jara, S-ro F. C. Rhodes, F.B.E.A., Delegito en Keighley, Yorks. Ĉeestis la Bulonjan Kongreson. Membrigiis 1908.

Sewell—Je 13 Januaro, en Deal, Kent, Lily Sewell, edzino de S-ro Herbert Sewell (antaŭe presisto de B.E. kaj de *Literaturo*).

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Through space restrictions this series (soon to close) has dragged on so long that new readers may find it unintelligible. It presents a series of questions on teaching methods and problems—and consists, in fact, of the headings of a course of lectures given on the subject. To a group of Esperantists taking the whole series in order it offers plenty of material for discussion, and help for the budding teacher. We should like to hear from groups in which it has been so used. Good teachers are badly wanted.

5—ALIAJ TEMOJ DE INSTRUO

51.—PRONONCO

- 511 **Studo de fonetiko.** Komence? Nur laŭokaze?
- 512 **Internacia Fonetika Alfabeto**
- 513 **Parolorganoj**
- 514 **Apartaj literoj**
- 515 **Vokalkombinoj**
- 516 **Konsonantkombinoj**
- 517 **Dikto** (de sonoj, vortoj).
- 518 **Vortoj ofte misprononcataj** (Ekz., en Anglujo, *halt*, *hejm*, *kies*, *ricev*).
- 519 **Vortakcento. Frazmelodio.**
Vido "Notes on Esperanto Pronunciation" (B.E. 1940, pp. 194, 212). Represo havebla laŭ peto al M. C. Butler.

52.—VORTOJ. RADIKOJ

- 521 **Vortprovizo.** Kiom da radikoj lernendaj? Komencu per la plej bezonataj. Verkoj studindaj: *Definition Vocabulary* (M. West); *Thousand Word English* (Palmer); *Semantic Frequency List* (Eaton).
- 522 **Limigo de vortprovizo.** Kia diferenco tiurilate inter la Cseh-metodo kaj Basic English?
- 523 **Kalkuloj pri vortofteco en Esperanto.** Konsultebaj en B.E.A. Biblioteko estas statistikoj de Rublev, Dannell, kaj Stancliff. Vidu ankaŭ *Enciklopedio*: pp. 566/9.
- 524 **Neniu nova radiko sen uzo.** Listoj de vortoj sen interrilato kaj tuja utiligo.
- 525 **Ne tro multaj en unu fojo.**
- 526 **Komparo kaj Distingo. Etimologio.**
 - . 1 **Komparo kun Angla lingvo.**
Mol-emollient; *salt-somersault*; *sid*, *preside*
 - . 2 **Komparo kun aliaj lingvoj.**
Sat-G. schätzen
 - . 3 **Etimologiaj vortfamilioj**
Ekz., lum, alumet, ilumin; *lun, lunatik*
 - . 4 **Sinonimoj** (Radikoj similsignifaj)
Akcept-richev, bat-frap; *puŝ-ŝov*

- . 5 **Homonimoj** (Radikoj samaspektaj, plursignifaj).
- . 51 **Esperantaj.**
akt, akut, organ, plum, radi
- . 52 **Anglaj.**
Feel (palp, sent). *Cry* (kri, plor). *Live* (loĝi, vivi). *Smell* (flari, odori).
- . 6 **Radikoj unulitere malsimilaj**
pes-peŝ; *stat-ŝtat*; *organ-orgen*; *leter-liter*; *nob(e)l*
- . 7 **"Falsaj Ĝemeloj"** (A kaj E radikoj similaspektaj sed malsamsignifaj).
aktuala-actual; *granda-grand*; *mendi-mend*.

- 527 **Rimedo por fiksado.**
Uzado, skribo, ripeto en frazoj.
- 528 **Uzo de vortaroj**
Ĉu kursano uzu vortaron? Dangersoj. Priskribo. Utiligo
- 529 **Parolformoj apartaj**
 - . 1 Apartaj formoj. *Kiel eble plej . . . Estas -e.*
 - . 2 Kolekto de frazoj trafaj, notindaj
 - . 3 Traduko de naciaj idiotismoj
 - . 4 Frazlibroj

53.—LEGO, LITERATURO

- 531 **Neceso, utilo.** (Vd. B.E. 1913, 167), Kreskigo de vortprovizo. Subteno de intereso
- 532 **Studo de modeloj.** Aparte de Zamenhof Studo de majstraĵo estas leciono de majstro
- 533 **Elektio de legaĵo modela kaj taŭga**
- 534 **Pritrakto de legaĵo.**
 - . 1 Antaŭa lego hejme . 2 Laŭtleĝo
 - . 3 Traduko kaj retro-traduko
 - . 4 Parola resumo laŭ memoro
 - . 5 Ekzerco per demando kaj respondo.
 - . 6 Diskuto pri lingvaj punktoj
 - . 7 Kion eviti. Monotoneco. Troa legado en kurso
 - . 8 Laŭvica legado ("reading round"). Dangero
- 535 **Divido de laboro.** Ĉiu kursano pritraktu apartan ĉapitron post studo
- 536 **Ĉu multon kure, aŭ malmulton mikroskope?**
Profitoj de ambaŭ metodoj.

537 **Poezio** (Ritmo, Rimo, Aliteracio, k.s.).
Parkerado

538 **Esperanta literaturo ĝenerale.** Bird-
perspektivo. Esperantaj verkistoj

539 **B.E.A. Librolisto.** Priskriba tralego

54.—**SKRIBO** (Vd. 6, Hejmlaboro)

541 **Kopiado** de teksto modela

542 **Diktado.**

- . 1 Testas komprenon, literadon, punktadon
- . 2 Presita teksto ebligas sinkorekton
- . 3 Unu lernanto skribu sur nigra tabulo kaŝita: poste ĝin montru
- . 4 Teksto ekzerca pri div. malfacilaĵoj
- . 5 Malpli necesa Esperante ol alilingve. Ne troa

543 **Dikto Anglalingva:** la lernantoj skribu
Esp. tradukon

544 **Verkado imita**

- . 1 **Reprodukto de historio** jam donita
- . 2 **Parafrazo.** Pensigas pri sinonimoj, signifonuancoj.
Riĉigas esprimopovon
- . 3 **Kondenso.** Resumo (*Précis*). Ekz., de teatraĵo
- . 4 **Imito de modelo.** Verku samstile

545 **Verkado libera,** sendependa, originala

- . 1 **Priskribo** de simpla afero (besto, bildo. . .)
- . 2 **Anekdoto** unuparagrafa
- . 3 **Kompletigo de historio** jam komencita
- . 4 **Proverbo donita:** ekzempligu per historio
- . 5 **Rakonto** originala
- . 6 **Imagita sceno** (interparolo, aŭtobiografio, k.s.).

546 **Letero** (Ama, infana, interamikina, komerca, patrina. . .)
Vd. 594, Korespondo alilanden

547 **Eseo** pri temo donita

548 **Poemo**

- . 1 Laŭ metriko difinita: unu linio donita.
- . 2 Poemo. Kristnaska (Printempa, Ama). Limeriko.
- . 3 **Rimvortaroj.** Utiligo

LECTURES GIVEN

The following were accidentally omitted from our last issue.

Sept. 1944

19. **Market Rasen.** De Aston School.

20. **Brigg.** High School for Girls.

Lincoln. Technical College.

21. **Gainsborough.** High School for Girls.

Gainsborough. Boys' Grammar School.

22. **Lincoln.** Lincoln ("Grammar") School.

Lincoln. W.E.A.

25. **Nottingham.** Wesdale Lane Council School.

26. **Nottingham.** Blue Coat School.

As will have been seen from local reports, much interest was aroused, and new classes have been formed.

Here are comparative figures for 1942-4:

		1942	1943	1944
VISITS PAID—				
Schools	..	76	104	77
Other Meetings	..	51	47	78
Total	..	127	151	155
ATTENDANCE—				
Children	..	11,320	13,490	10,135
Teachers	..	421	397	348
Students	..	110	150	168
School Total	..	11,851	14,237	10,631
Other Meetings	..	1,085	1,231	2,119
Total	..	12,936	15,468	12,770
AVERAGE ATTENDANCE—				
Schools	..	156	137	138
Other Meetings	..	21	26	27
RECEIPTS AT LECTURES				
"Esp. for Begin's"	..	7,828	10,079	7,706
(Do. Value)	..	£67 6	£126 0	£96 0
Other Sales	..	£26 18	£12 16	£46 15
Local Cont'ns to Expenses	..	£33 4	£20 2	£34 3
Total Receipts	..	£127 8	£158 18	£176 18

POINTS TO NOTE

(a) Slight increase in number of lectures.

(b) Decreases in number of school audiences, and corresponding decreases in sales and attendance.

(c) Increase in local support.

(d) 1944 would have been a poor year but for the propaganda drive organized by the Yorkshire Esperantists in the Autumn. Invitations for 1945 are disappointingly few so far, and invitations would be welcomed. The best results are shown when local friends book a week or a fortnight provisionally, and circularize local schools or other bodies likely to be interested. It is generally easy to fill several days with engagements in this way, **provided that** (1) **arrangements are commenced two or three months previously,** (2) **use is made of the literature I can supply for the purpose,** and (3) **some one local friend acts as a centre for the arrangement of the itinerary.**

M. C. BUTLER.

Congratulations to Mr. G. W. Roome (21 Glenalmond Rd., Sheffield) on reaching his 80th birthday. He still works vigorously for Esperanto, and looks forward to attending our international congresses again after the war.

Also to our veteran propagandist Harrison Hill, now 84.

Respondo al problemo (p. 149)—Kon-sideru la movon de la boato rilate al la botelo. La tempo okupata en fora direkto post la renkonto necese egalas la tempon post turniĝo ĝis reatingo. Do la botelo okupis 36 minutojn por iri $1\frac{1}{2}$ mejlojn: t.e., ĝi iris po $2\frac{1}{2}$ mejloj hore.

La argumento pliklarigas, se oni imagas, ke viro en koridoro de vagonaro demetas sian valizon kaj forpaŝas dum 18 sekundoj. Nu, estas evidente, ke, turninte sin kaj repaŝante al la valizo, li okupos la saman tempon por ĝin reatingi.

T.J.O. Bulletin (Miss Hylde Mayne, Tarlton, Cirencester, Glos., is now the Editor) contains new of interest to young Esperantists, and has great plans for the future. For details of this flourishing Esperanto Youth Organization write to J. W. Holland, 61 Vandyke Rd., Leighton Buzzard, Beds.

It makes you think!—"And do all little French boys and girls have to learn English, Mummy?" "Of course they do, dear." "Then why do I have to learn French?" (From "Punch", 31 Jan.).

SAR Melbourne—On 21 Nov., 4.30–4.45, on All Stations, National, and A.B. programmes, Mrs. Hanks broadcast on "Esperanto was our Magic Key".

Sottens gave an Esperanto broadcast on the evening of Feb. 20th.

R.S.A. Examinations

The Esperanto Examinations of the Royal Society of Arts—Stage I (Elementary) and Stage II (Intermediate)—will take place this year on Tuesday, July 3rd, 7–10 (Int.) and Wednesday, July 4th, 7–9 (Elem.) **It is of great importance to secure a good entry.**

Entries must be sent in through a recognized Local Centre.

Fees: Stage I, 3/-; Stage II, 4/6. A local fee (usually 1/- Stage I, 1/6 Stage II) may be charged in addition. (For London candidates the total fee for Stage I is 4/-, for Stage II 6/-).

Outside London—Entries must reach Local Secretaries not later than Wednesday, April 25th. Late Entries, with an additional fee of 1/- per entry, will be accepted up to May 9th.

London—London examinations are controlled by the Education Committee of the L.C.C. Entry forms may be obtained from the Education Officer (G.P. Exams.), County Hall, S.E.1, and must be returned with fees by May 12th. No late entries accepted. An effort will be made for candidates to sit at their own centres.

A copy of papers set in 1940–1944 may be obtained (each year 2d. post free) from

R.S.A., John Adam Street, Adelphi, W.C.2. Further information from R.S.A., "Westfield, Purley, Reading, Berks. **Do not address correspondence on these examinations to the B.E.A.**

The following extracts from the Examiner's report for 1944 are of interest.

STAGE I (ELEMENTARY)

Words that gave difficulty were *mensoguloj* (liars), which became *mysogonists*, *sins*, *thieves*, *lies*, and *thoughtful people*; and the English spelling of *restaurant*.

The simple verses floored some, owing to two cases in which the object preceded the verb. There should have been no difficulty in this. Some surprising variants were produced in attempts to translate *scientist*, *good-looking*, *to take things to pieces*, *he'll be running all over the place*, *he is like his father*. *We had to go, not at all*, *I sang three times*, *hear both sides*, gave more trouble than they should have done.

Many compositions flowed naturally and smoothly, and gave evidence that the candidate was thinking in the language. . . It is obvious that some teachers have over-concentrated on conversational fluency, without sufficient effort to attain grammatical accuracy, or even the correct spelling of some common words.

STAGE II (INTERMEDIATE)

The translation into English was generally good. Difficulties were the Biblical reference to "*the old man and his works*", *kribri* (sieve), and *vojstrektoj* (grooves, ruts, beaten tracks). Some who did the prose well were frightened by a sonnet (not really very difficult); one or two, however, translated it into English verse! In three cases *rapid-manio* (craze for speed) became *accelerator* or *speedometer*!

Section II was the most difficult for the majority. Snags were *pride of ownership*, *selfish*, *the thwarting of any whim*, *indiarubber*. The phrase *stock* (*ŝablona*, *kliša*, *stereotipa*), *remarks* did not cause as much trouble as anticipated.

The essay was generally well done. Section IV (short phrases) caught many who should have been more careful. *To err is human*, *to brush one's hat*, and the absolute construction *weather permitting*, were responsible for the greatest number of slips.

Results of the 1944 examinations.

Stage II: 51 papers, 20 First-Class, 18 Second-Class; 13 Fail. **Stage I:** 52 papers, 20 Pass with Credit, 21 Passed, 11 Fail.

It is encouraging to note that there were 103 candidates in 1944, as against 68 in 1943.

LOCAL NEWS

Local news we cull largely from newspaper cuttings or other second-hand sources. And are blamed for resultant inaccuracies and inadequacies. We wish local secretaries would themselves send us reports—which MUST be very brief—of anything OF INTEREST TO READERS IN OTHER PLACES (e.g., a new idea tried with success, which other groups might copy). Space is lacking for matters of routine or details of merely local interest (weekly programmes, excursions, teas, etc.) of no interest to readers elsewhere, and which group members should find in their local bulletin. But if there is anything of general interest or of special importance, please send it to the Editor by the 8th of the previous month.

An announcement of a new class may bring it new recruits.

Many groups arranged a Zamenhof Day on or near 15th December. Every group should do this.

Blackburn—Meetings Wed., at the International Club.

Bolton—Class with 30 students at the Commercial Academy under Mr. A. Dean.

Bristol—The *Verdstela Kroniko* brought out a fine Christmas Edition *de luxe*. Six classes, and all kinds of activities, in a very live group.

Brighton—Classes, Tues., at Friends' Meeting House, Ship St.

Carlisle—Class, Fri., 7.30, at Tullie House.

Cambridge University—Study Groups Fri., 8.15, at 15 St. Catharine's. All interested are welcome. Details from V. W. Eldred (St. Cath's), F. J. Fenner (Trinity Hall), R. H. K. Hill (Trinity), M. J. Winter (Downing).

Eastern Federation—Next Meeting 10 March, Ranelagh Rd. School, Ipswich. Details from Miss Strapps, 50 Woodlands Rd., Ilford.

East Midland Federation—Next Meeting: 5 May, in Derby. Details from A. W. George, 126 Brookhill Rd., Stapleford.

East Midland—The Federation Conference (Nottingham, 6 Jan.), doubled the usual attendance. A Propaganda Committee has been formed. Group reports are very encouraging.

Huddersfield—Mr. W. H. Hirst addressed the Rotary Club (11 Dec.), with blackboard illustrations. 60 members and friends attended the New Year Party 20 Jan.

Ilford—The group is flourishing. Meetings Sat., 6.0–10.0, at 50 Woodlands Rd. Absent members are kept in touch by an excellently edited bulletin.

Knebworth—Miss Denham has a class of seven-year-olds in her school.

Kirkcaldy—The Zamenhof Evening attracted 50 from this and other groups. Esperantists from Poland, France, and Norway, gave interesting accounts of experiences in these countries and in Denmark and Sweden. Sec., Miss Adamson, 30 Union St.

Lancs. and Cheshire—An Esperantist Week-end will be held at Heys Farm, 14–15 April. Prof. W. E. Collinson will speak on "Kiel infano lernas la gepatran lingvon". Cost (5 meals): 14/-. Reservations for Federation members till 26 March. Details from F. Parker, 368 Colne Rd., Burnley.

The Annual Meeting was held in Burnley on 10th Feb., welcomed by Mr. W. A. Burke, M.P. for Burnley.

110 were present. The Annual Report showed a good financial position and growth of membership (11 groups, members in 30 towns). The Literature Department had sold books to £19. The T.J.O. film was shown.

Anyone wishing to borrow this film should write to J. W. Holland, 61 Vandyk Rd., Leighton Buzzard. A two-column report (with photo) in *Burnley Express*.

Leeds—Mr. W. H. Hirst addressed Leeds Publicity Club on 18 Jan.

Letchworth—30 members, of whom 19 are B.E.A. members. New class with 11 members.

Lincoln—W.E.A. Class, Tues., 7.0 at 364 High St., under J. W. Thompson. The group meets at same address on 3rd Saturdays. The Grammar School boys have their own Club, with 24 members, and have bought many books. Group Secretary: F. J. W. Gresham, 62 Alexandra Terrace.

Liverpool—A Class under Mrs. Merchant. Liverpool Esperanto Society meets Wed. evenings, 7.0–9.0, at 56 Lord Street. Classes and a discussion circle are being formed. Sec. K. McIlwain, 14 Cotswold St., Kensington, Liverpool 7.

London Esperanto Club (153 Drummond St. W.C.1)—7.0. Mar. 2, Festo (Bileto 1/-). 9, Pasteur. 16, Mozart. 23, Feriaj Insuloj. 30, Neniu kunveno. Apr. 6, Muziko kaj teatraĵo. 13, La kvin sensoj (kaj aliaj). 20, Internacieco kaj Esperanto. 27, Bestoj.

London—Communion in Esperanto—St. Peter's Free Catholic Church, East Ham, on first Sundays, 10.0, at junction of Sibley Grove and East Avenue, near East Ham Station. All Christians are free to partake, whether members of F.C.C. or not.

London—Divine Service in Esperanto will be held at 3.0 at St. Ethelburga's Church, 72 Bishopsgate, E.C.2, on 11 March (parolos E. B. Johnson, violonos H. Jacks), and 18 Apr. (parolos E. B. Johnson, solkantos F.ino A. D. George).

Luton—Class at the Co-operative Society (W. A. Gething).

Manchester—Two classes, and a group with 64 members and a high conversational level. 11 R.S.A. successes in 1944. Meetings 64 George St., 2.30 on 31 March and 28 April. 8 April: excursion to Wilmslow. Details from 10 Vernon Avenue, Stretford.

Manchester and District—In spite of war-time difficulties membership has risen 60%. The financial position is excellent, and the number of competent Esperantists is steadily growing. 11 passed the R.S.A. exams. (8 in the Second Stage), and 2 gained the B.E.A. Diploma. In a recent address Mr. McGrath stressed the importance of aiming at a high standard of proficiency (not forgetting punctuation). We are more ready to recommend others to learn, than to try to raise our own standard. A helpful feature has been the inclusion in every programme of a discussion of linguistic points raised by members. We recommend this idea to other groups.

Nelson—N.C.L.C. Class (16 members) under Alderman R. Bland. On 31 Jan. Mr. F. Parker showed the T.J.O. film to an audience of 50 cadets, and sold 41 books.

North-Eastern Federation—Meeting 10 March, 4.0, at St. Oswald's Vicarage, Hebburn-on-Tyne; preceded by Esperanto Service at 3.0.

Palestina Esperanta Ligo—The *Interneta Bulteno* of P.E.L. (P.O.B. 320, Jerusalem), has a detailed and most interesting report of the VIth Palestine Esperanto Congress, and news of many Esperanto activities in Palestine and Egypt.

St. Helens—Classes and Group meetings with good programme at H.G. Girls' School, College St., Thurs, 7.30–9.15. (Not Mar. 29, Apr. 5). A fine audience at the *Zamenhofa Festo* 14 Dec. Address by J. Alker, followed by a presentation to the Sec. Mr. J. A. Chattaway, on his marriage to Miss M. Gledhill of Southport. Gratulon!

Scottish Federation—A recent Bulletin gives encouraging news from various parts. 39th Scottish Congress is at Kilmarnock, 23 June. The Federation has published a Course (now in its second edition) of 21 Correspondence Lessons, for preparation for the B.E.A. Exam. (2/6, from D. Kennedy, 3 Harelaw Av., Muirend, Glasgow S4). 46 Scottish Esperantists joined B.E.A. in 1944.

Southend—Class, Thurs., at the Municipal College. The local group has been reformed and is flourishing. Details from D. Ranger, 157 Westbourne Grove, Westcliff.

South Wales and Mon.—Federation Meeting at Friends' Meeting House, Charles St., Cardiff, 17 March, 3.0.

Welwyn Garden City—Class at the Evening Institute (Miss Reed).

Woolwich—*Amika Rondo* (27 members), 1st Thurs., 7.0, at Oddfellows' Club, Anglesea Rd., Visitors welcome. Elem. Class at R.A. Social Club Building. Details from E. R. Penny, 21 Woodland Way, Abbey Wood, S.E.2.

Yorkshire Federation—Over 60 attended the Annual Meeting, Leeds, 10 Feb. A spirit of enthusiasm was very evident. Mr. R. W. Hamilton, Head of Hemsworth Grammar School, was elected President, with gratitude to Mr. H. W. Hirst who resigned office after ten years' service. Decisions: (a) to hold an Esperanto Weekend at Newfields Hall, Skipton, in the autumn. (b) To set up a Literary Competition (*La Briggs Konkurso*) in memory of the late Miss L. Briggs. (c) To improve the Bulletin. (d) To set up a Lending Library. Next meeting: Dewsbury, early in May.

Yorkshire—The Bulletin reports new classes and increased activity in many places, partly due to recent propaganda efforts followed up by local friends. It contains some amusing pictures of propaganda work, and notes helpful to any other Federation arranging a similar propaganda tour. We much hope that other Federations will utilize these hints and do likewise.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 1945

As announced on another page, this will be held at the Grand Hotel, Colmore Row, Birmingham, on Saturday, May 5th. The arrangements are as follows:—

- 3 p.m.—Annual General Meeting.
- 5 p.m.—Tea (*see below*).
- 6 p.m.—Meeting of the Council.
- 7 p.m.—Social evening.

Tea will be obtainable **only** by those who have purchased a ticket from the B.E.A. office **before April 28th**. The cost will be 2/—, including gratuities.

Accommodation for the night can be obtained at the Grand Hotel, the rate being 15/— bed and breakfast (13/— each doubles). Cheaper accommodation can be obtained at the Imperial Hotel, Temple Street (from 12/6), or at the Arden Hotel, New Street (from 9/6). Early booking is advisable. Application should be sent direct to the hotel manager in each case, **not** to B.E.A.

At the evening meeting there will be community singing and discussions in Esperanto. It is hoped to arrange for some foreign Esperantists to take part.

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The trustees of the James Leakey Memorial Fund have accepted a proposal to extend its scope and stabilize its amount, which at present varies with fluctuations in industry. It will now be known as *The James Leakey and Eugene Scott Memorial Fund*. Although it was as a pilot in the American Army Air Force that Gene Scott was killed in the air in Texas on 19th June, 1942, on the eve of his marriage, and in Nashville, Tennessee, that he was born on 5th December, 1918, he was brought up in England, and educated chiefly at St. Christopher School, Letchworth. His home there happened to have been formerly the home of James Leakey, but it was only through their common membership of the Esperanto movement in Hertfordshire that they became acquainted, being (no doubt) respectively the oldest and youngest members of it.

Gene Scott's social interests and activities broadened greatly during the years of his college life in Canada and in the California that became his home. While James Leakey was urging a scheme of group emigration to relieve unemployment in Britain, Gene Scott was active in American propaganda for a federal union of the western democracies. But though the state of the world made these causes more pressing for them at the moment, their ardour as Esperantists suffered no diminution.

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27th January, 1945.

Present: The President (in the Chair), the Hon. Secretary, the Hon. Treasurer, Miss A. L. Borel, G. E. Collis, Miss R. A.

Davey, Miss V. C. Nixon, Miss E. M. Wheatley.

In attendance: The Acting Secretary.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read, approved, and signed.

Fellows: The following were elected Fellows of the Association: R. F. Jervis, C. T. A. King, and J. Nicholson.

Examiners: Messrs. L. E. Dust and E. A. Watkin were appointed Special Examiners for New Zealand.

Mr. M. Stuttard was appointed an Examiner in place of Miss L. Briggs, deceased.

Ballot List: No nominations had been received, and the Council accordingly made the necessary nominations, and drew up the Ballot List for publication.

Guarantee Fund: It was decided to call up only one-half of the Guarantee.

Annual Report: This was considered and passed for publication in the Journal.

Various other matters were dealt with, including arrangements in connection with the Annual General Meeting, which had been fixed for the 5th May.

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Members serving in His Majesty's Forces are asked to register with the Association a permanent address, such as their home address or that of a relative, from which they are certain that letters and other communications will be forwarded to them. They are specially asked not to register service addresses, since these may be subject to frequent changes.

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"I had a little badge to show that I knew (or was supposed to know) Esperanto. In a shop one day a foreign-looking man pointed to my badge and asked "Ĉu vi parolas Esperanton?" I immediately said I did, and to my surprise, found we could talk together without much difficulty. The man was a Czech, and knew very little English, while I had learned Esperanto only by correspondence. I am much impressed by it: in fact, I think it's wonderful." (F. G. Rayer, in "Answers", 30 Dec.).

Correction—In B.E. 1944 p. 152, for "la dua la" read "La dua li". And for 199/31 read 188/31.